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Mr E Mathonsi
Committee Secretary
Portfolio Committee on Home Affairs
Parliament

Dear Mr Mathonsi

REFUGEES AMENDMENT DRAFT BILL, 2015

We refer to the invitation for comment on the above Bill, published in Government Gazette 38893 dated 19 June 2015.

The Law Society of South Africa supports the proposed amendments as they are in line with the recommendations of the Constitutional Court in *Mail and Guardian Media Limited and Others v MJ Chipu and Others CCT 136/12 [2013]*.

Please acknowledge receipt.

Yours faithfully

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Lizette Burger".

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